



FROM THE Office of National Drug Control Policy

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## **Nominate a White House Champion of Change for Advancing Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery**

The White House is seeking your help to identify people who have made an extraordinary difference by advancing prevention, treatment and recovery.

Last week, the President traveled to West Virginia to host a community conversation with health care professionals, law enforcement officers, community leaders, individuals, and families affected by the epidemic of prescription drug abuse and heroin use. Prescription drug abuse and heroin use have taken a heartbreaking toll on too many Americans and their families, while straining law enforcement and treatment programs.

As part of last week's event, the President announced federal, state, local and private sector efforts aimed at addressing the prescription drug abuse and heroin epidemic. These included commitments by more than 40 provider groups - representing doctors, dentists, advanced practice registered nurses, physician assistants, physical therapists and educators -- that more than 540,000 health care providers will complete opioid prescriber training in the next two years. In addition, CBS, ABC, the New York Times, Google, the National Basketball Association, Major League Baseball and other companies will donate millions of dollars in media space for PSAs about the risks of prescription drug misuse produced by the Partnership for Drug-Free Kids. You can see the full fact sheet [here](#).

In addition to those who have made formal commitments, there are thousands of friends, family members, colleagues, and advocates working to prevent substance abuse, improve access to treatment and support recovery. This spring, the White House will honor these incredible individuals as Champions of Change to recognize their outstanding work on this incredibly important issue impacting communities across the country.

Please help us identify outstanding individuals who are working to address this epidemic in your community.

**Please [click here to submit your nomination](#) by midnight on Sunday, December 19.**